

City of Lawrenceburg

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To: Local Trucking Companies

Re: Prohibited Traffic Springer Road

Please be advised that the City of Lawrenceburg has recently completed major construction on Springer Road. This project consisted of milling asphalt, removal of substandard base, replacement of stone base, and resurfacing. The cost of this project was in excess of a million dollars. The engineers and contractors on this project have reminded the City that the single biggest factor contributing to road failure is weight and tractor trailer traffic. The City has had in place for several years a local ordinance prohibiting vehicle traffic with a rated capacity of over one ton from travelling certain municipal streets, unless specifically exempted. For your convenience, I have enclosed a copy of this ordinance with this letter.

I would like to take this opportunity to advise your company that I am encouraging the Lawrenceburg Police Department to closely monitor and strictly enforce this ordinance. While I understand the temptation for drivers to avoid the congestion of Highway 43/North Locust we owe it to our tax payers to make every effort to protect the lifespan of this road. Please share this notice with your drivers, and provide reminders of this ordinance at any safety meetings or other similar opportunities.

We appreciate your decision to base your operations locally and certainly do not want to create hardships for your drivers. However, as previously mentioned we must take every effort to maintain the integrity of our roads. I appreciate your consideration in passing this information on to your employees.

Please feel free to call my office if there any questions or concerns you would like to
discuss.
Sincerely,
Chris Shaffer
Enclosures: City of Lawrenceburg Municipal Code 15-110

15-110. Trucks operated on streets; regulations. (1) It shall be unlawful for any motor vehicle, whether a single self-contained, self-propelled unit, or a truck, tractor and trailer, or truck which has a rated capacity of one ton or more to travel upon any streets or alleyways within the corporate limits of the City of Lawrenceburg, Tennessee, except as provided herein. (2) The motor vehicles as are defined in subsection (1) herein are allowed to travel upon all federal and state designated highways within the corporate limits of the City of Lawrenceburg, Tennessee as follows: U. S. Highway 43 (Locust Avenue) U. S. Highway 64 (Gaines Street) Tennessee Highway #241 (Buffalo Road and West Point Rd) Travel is also authorized on any streets located in the Lawrenceburg Industrial Park, namely Remke Avenue, Helton Drive, Mt. Arat Road, and Liberty Avenue on the North side of Thomas Street. (3) If the motor vehicles as defined in subsection (1) herein be engaged in local delivery, or begin their travels from a point within the corporate limits where they are normally garaged, and must use streets and alleyways upon which their travel is otherwise prohibited herein in order to travel to said authorized streets, then notwithstanding such prohibition, said vehicles may use unauthorized alleyways and streets to travel to and from the authorized streets by the shortest possible route when making said local deliveries or when embarking from or returning to a local garaging point to or from points outside the corporate limits; provided, however, that said vehicles shall use the designated routes as much as possible when engaging in said deliveries or traveling to and from a local garaging point, and said vehicles shall use the authorized streets until reaching the intersection nearest the destination point, and then return by the most direct route. (4) The prohibitions to vehicular travel in this section shall not prohibit: (a) Emergency vehicles. The operation of emergency vehicles upon any street in the city. (b) Public utilities. The operation of trucks owned or operated by the city, public utilities, any contractor or materialman which is and while engaged in the repair, maintenance or construction of streets, street improvements, or utilities within the city. (c) Detoured trucks. The operation of trucks upon any officially designated detour in any case where such truck could lawfully be operated upon the street for which such detour is established. 15-5 (d) School buses. The operation of school buses; buses used to transport persons to and from a place of worship, which runs a designated route, except for public carriers of persons for hire. (5) Any person, firm, corporation, federal, state, county or local agencies violating any of the provisions of this section shall upon conviction, be guilty of a misdemeanor and shall be subjected to a fine not to exceed state authorized limits. (1999 Code, § 15-110, modified)